



**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

IN RE APPLICATION OF: SCOTT G. MEIKLE

APPLICATION No.: 10/662,901

FILED: SEPTEMBER 15, 2003

FOR: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR  
FORMING A PLANARIZING PAD  
HAVING A FILM AND TEXTURE  
ELEMENTS FOR PLANARIZATION OF  
MICROELECTRONIC SUBSTRATES**

EXAMINER: LAN VINH

ART UNIT: 1765

CONF. No: 1279

**Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

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Sir:

The present communication responds to the Final Office Action dated May 25, 2006, in the above-identified application. Please amend the application as follows:

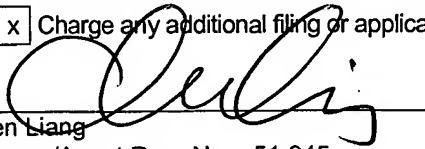
Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2.



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Application No. 10/662,901-Conf. #1279		Filing Date September 15, 2003		Examiner L. Vinh	
				Art Unit 1765	
Applicant(s): Scott G. Meikle					
Invention: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR FORMING A PLANARIZING PAD HAVING A FILM AND TEXTURE ELEMENTS FOR PLANARIZATION OF MICROELECTRONIC SUBSTRATES					
<b>TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS</b>					
Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.					
The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.					
<b>CLAIMS AS AMENDED</b>					
	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid	Number Extra Claims Present	Rate	
Total Claims	11	- 31 =		x	
Independent Claims	1	- 5 =		x	
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<b>TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT:</b>					0.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Large Entity <input type="checkbox"/> Small Entity					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No additional fee is required for this amendment.					
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